

Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Lord Corp (Formerly: Kinematics)

124 Grant Street
Cambridge Springs, PA 16403
Congressional District 21
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Current Progress at the Site

The Lord Kinematics facility (“Facility” or “Lord”) performed a facility wide investigation of environmental conditions under the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection’s (PADEP’s) Act 2 Program. The results of this investigation revealed the presence of tetrachloroethylene (PCE) in the groundwater at levels above the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA’s) Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs). EPA is currently reviewing all the available data, as well as possible remedial alternatives in order to address the contaminant plume.

Site Description

The Lord Corporation purchased the Cambridge Springs site in 1966 from a Company called White Industries. Occupying approximately 16.6 acres, the Facility is bordered by the Cambridge Springs Borough Wastewater treatment plant and French Creek to the north, undeveloped land and Jackson Run (a tributary of French Creek) to the west, and residential housing and light industrial properties to the south and east. Since 1966, Lord has manufactured elastomer to metal bonded products (rubber bonded to various metals). Hazardous wastes associated with this process include chlorinated solvents, non-chlorinated solvents, spent chemical treatment solutions, sludge from wastewater treatment solutions, and lead containing ash from a pyrolysis furnace.

Site Responsibility

Investigation activities at the Lord Kinematics facility have been conducted to date under the direction of PADEP’s Act 2 Program. Any future remedial requirements will be under the direction of the EPA.

Contaminants

Tetrachloroethylene (PCE) was found in the groundwater beneath the Facility.

Community Interaction

Lord has notified appropriate city officials and local utility authorities of onsite groundwater contamination. The public will be invited to comment on any remedial actions proposed by EPA prior to implementation.

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